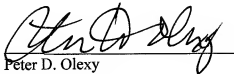


REMARKS

New claim 21 is added which contains the group of claim 1 regarding the organic polymer for covering the surface but omits alkyl-based polymers.

Respectfully submitted,

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